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SUBJECT: INVITATION TO OBSERVE FIRST MANNED LAUNCH OF SKYLAB

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1. SCICOUN ADVISED ZAPPINO OF INVITATION DESCRIBED REFTEL. HE MOST APPRECIATIVE, BUT VERY UNLIKELY THAT HE WILL ATTEND SINCE HE DEPARTS FOR EUROPE TODAY ON PERSONAL HOLIDAY, ARRANGEMENTS FOR WHICH JUST COMPLETED LAST WEEK, WITH WIFE AND FRIENDS. SCICOUN SUGGESTED THAT THERE WOULD PRESUMABLY BE NO NASA OBJECTION TO HIS ATTENDING BY FLYING FROM EUROPE AND RETURNING THERE TO CONTINUE HOLIDAY. ZAPPINO DID NOT RULE OUT THIS ALTERNATIVE, BUT NOT ANXIOUS TO FOLLOW IT IN VIEW OF PERSONAL NATURE OF EUROPEAN TRIP. HE STATED, HOWEVER, THAT WHEN OFFICIAL INVITATION RECEIVED, IT WILL BE REFERRED TO AIR FORCE COMMANDER IN CHIEF, AND IF INSTRUCTED TO ATTEND, HE WILL DO SO. SCICOUN WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH ZAPPINO'S OFFICE AND WILL INFORM DEPT AND NASA OF DECISION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

2. FYI. MEMBER SPACE COMMISSION STAFF INFORMED SCICOUN THAT ZAPPINO ALSO INVITED ON SAME DATE BY FRENCH TO ATTEND FRENCH SATELLITE LAUNCHING AT FRENCH GUIANA LAUNCHING BASE, INCLUDING TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM FRANCE. ZAPPINO MADE NO REFERENCE TO THIS INVITATION IN CONVERSATION WITH SCICOUN.

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